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Election of ten members of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Committee for the United Nations Population Award is composed of 10 members elected from among States Members of the United Nations with due regard to equitable geographical representation and the need to include those Member States that have made contributions for the Award.

2. Pursuant to article 4 of the regulations governing the Award, contained in the annex to General Assembly resolution 36/201 of 17 December 1981, the Economic and Social Council is to elect, at its resumed organizational session for 2003, the 10 members of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2004.

3. At its resumed second regular session of 1982, the Council agreed on the distribution of seats on the Committee (see E/1982/SR.54 and 58). In accordance with that agreement, in 2003, the 10 members are to be elected according to the following pattern:

(a) Three members from African States;

(b) Two members from Asian States;

(c) One member from Eastern European States;

(d) Three members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

(e) One member from Western European and other States.

4. The current membership of the Committee is given in the annex below.

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Annex

Committee for the United Nations Population Award[a]

(10 members; three-year term)

Membership in 2003

Three members from African States

Burundi, Cape Verde, Lesotho

Three members from Asian States[a,b]

Kyrgyzstan

One member from Eastern European States

Republic of Moldova

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States[a,c]

Haiti

One member from Western European and other States

Netherlands

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[a] One seat to rotate between Asian States and Latin American and Caribbean States every three years. The rotating seat was allocated to Asian States in 2000 for a three-year term beginning 1 January 2001. In 2003, the rotating seat will be allocated to Latin American and Caribbean States for a three-year term beginning 1 January 2004, thus giving Asian States two seats and Latin American and Caribbean States three seats.

[b] There are two outstanding vacancies in this group for members whose terms would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2003.

[c] There is one outstanding vacancy in this group for a member whose term would begin on the date of election and expire on 31 December 2003.